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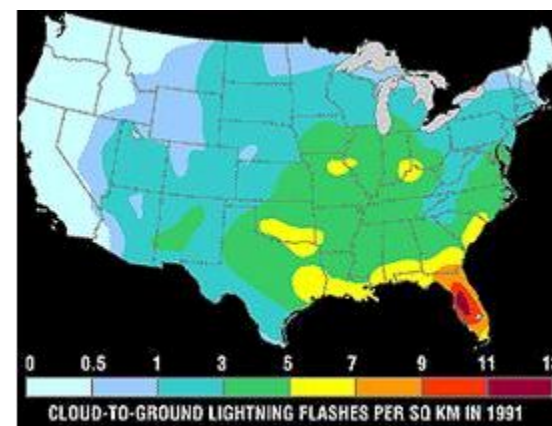
Risk Assessment

Probability:

- ✓ Lightning is the leading killer of all weather phenomena
- ✓ Each year lightning kills more people than tornadoes and hurricanes combined
- ✓ Lightning strikes are most common in the Southeast
- ✓ 73% of incidents happen in June, July or August

Severity:

- ✓ Lightning bolt carries up to 100,000,000 volts
- ✓ Vaporizes its path with a 30,000 degree plasma
- ✓ If doesn't electrocute you, will set you on fire or explode you





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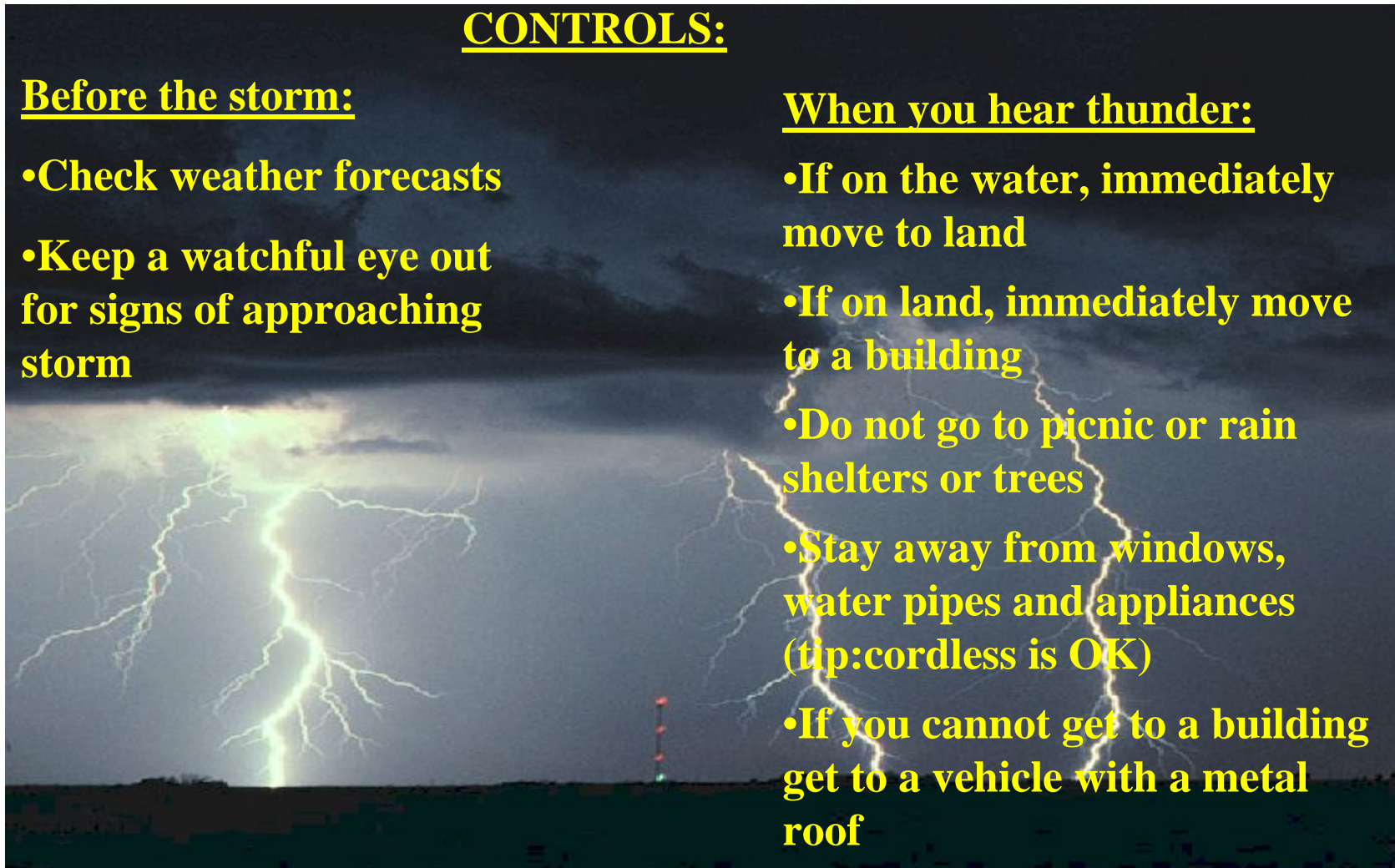
CONTROLS:

Before the storm:

- Check weather forecasts
- Keep a watchful eye out for signs of approaching storm

When you hear thunder:

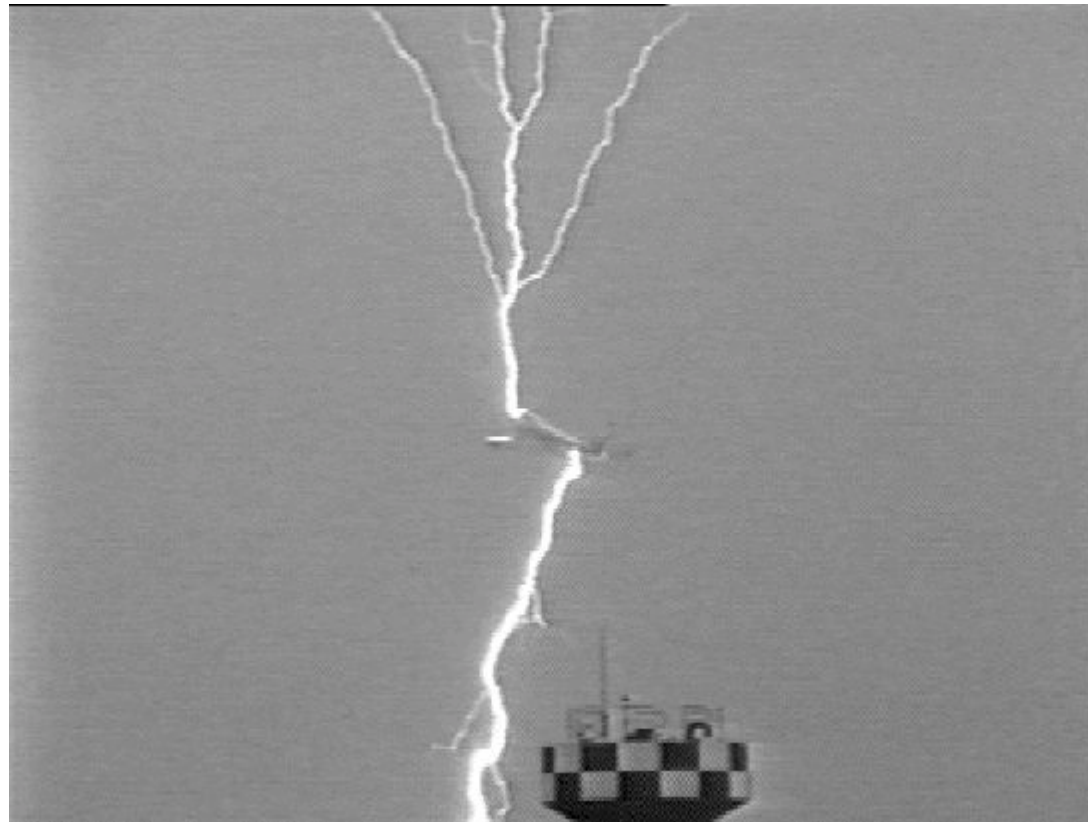
- If on the water, immediately move to land
- If on land, immediately move to a building
- Do not go to picnic or rain shelters or trees
- Stay away from windows, water pipes and appliances (tip: cordless is OK)
- If you cannot get to a building get to a vehicle with a metal roof





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An enclosed metal vehicle provides protection





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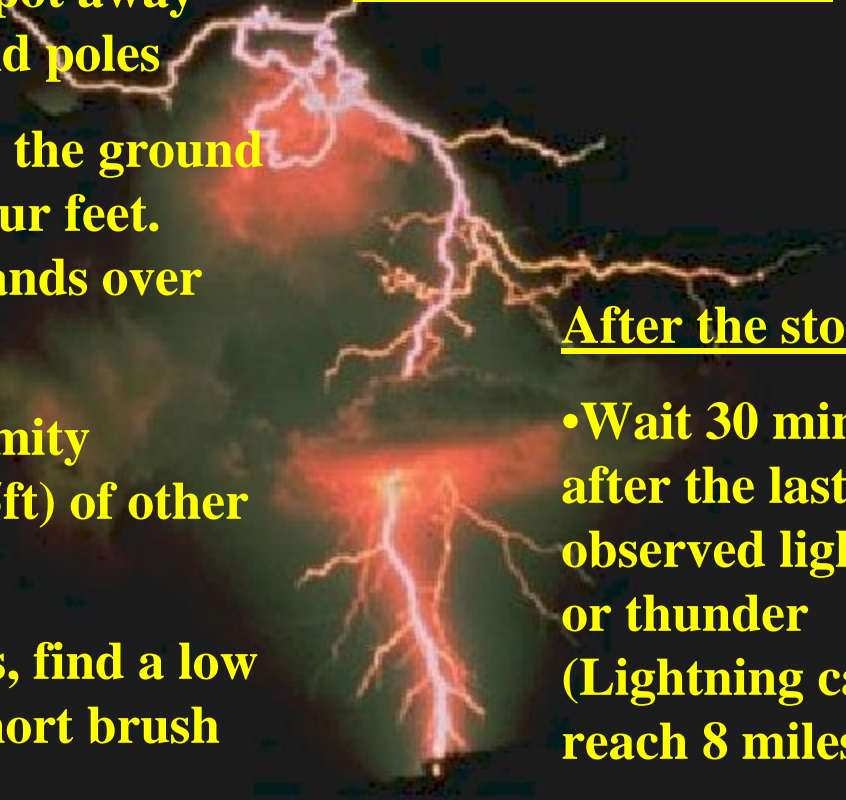
If Caught Outdoors:

- Find a low spot away from trees and poles
- Squat low to the ground on balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears
- Avoid proximity (minimum 15ft) of other people
- In the woods, find a low spot under short brush or trees

CONTROLS (Cont):

After the storm:

- Wait 30 minutes after the last observed lightning or thunder (Lightning can reach 8 miles)





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Safety Tips

Save Lives.

Pass Them On !!